

AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS TO  
GRANT AN EASEMENT IN CERTAIN LANDS OF THE VETERANS'  
ADMINISTRATION FACILITY, TOGUS, MAINE, TO THE STATE OF  
MAINE, FOR ROAD-WIDENING PURPOSES

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Mr. CLARK of Missouri, from the Committee on Finance, submitted  
the following

## REPORT

[To accompany S. 2012]

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the bill (S. 2012) authorizing the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to grant an easement in certain lands of the Veterans' Administration facility, Togus, Maine, to the State of Maine, for road-widening purposes, report back to the Senate and recommend that the bill do pass.

The purposes of the proposed legislation are fully explained in a letter addressed to the President of the Senate from the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, which is appended hereto and made a part of this report.

OCTOBER 20, 1941.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE,  
*Washington, D. C.*

SIR: There is transmitted herewith a draft of a bill authorizing the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to grant an easement in certain lands of the Veterans' Administration facility, Togus, Maine, to the State of Maine, for road-widening purposes, with the request that it be referred to the appropriate committee of the United States Senate, in order that it may be introduced and enacted into law.

The State highway commissioner has requested authority of the Veterans' Administration to use the property described by metes and bounds in the draft bill containing 7.74 acres, more or less, for highway-widening purposes, and the Veterans' Administration has issued to the State highway commission a revocable license granting such use pending congressional authorization for the granting of an easement over the property. The road is located about one-half mile from the facility building area at the main entrance to the reservation and about 1,500 feet distant at its nearest point.

The proposed improvement will not only provide a wider road but one considerably better as to alignment and grade adjoining the reservation. It will eliminate hazardous conditions both to beneficiaries and for Veterans' Administration vehicles which use the road in regular traffic to Augusta, Maine. Consequently, the improvements will be of considerable benefit to the Government.

## 2 AUTHORIZE CERTAIN LANDS FOR ROAD-WIDENING PURPOSES

This proposal has been cleared for disposition as proposed, submission having been made to the Administrator, Federal Works Agency, pursuant to the provisions of the real-estate section of the regulations governing the operation of the Branch of Supply, Procurement Division, Treasury Department, approved by the President April 12, 1935. Information has been received from the Bureau of the Budget that there would be no objection to the presentation to the Congress of this proposed legislation.

Respectfully,

FRANK T. HINES, *Administrator.*

